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1. On 13 and 16 March 1949 Communist organizers held meetings in the al-Hadath suburb of Beirut, for the purpose of organizing the factory workers and interesting them in Communism.*

At the meeting of 13 March, which was held in the home of Michel Zaghbi, Communist organizers Ilyas Shahin, Hanna Zarqa, and Nazri Zuwayn attempted to persuade the workers to join the Communist Party, stressing the advantages which they would enjoy as a result of the Party's fight against capitalism.

3. On 16 March the meeting was held in the home of Emile Hasib, a worker in the Baddurah textile factory. Communist Party representatives present at this meeting were Awam Rami, Darwish Shahin, and Ilyas Shahin. Ilyas Shahin explained the principles of Communism to those present and offered them membership cards in the Communist Party. Large numbers of the workers declined to accept the cards, and asked for time to think the matter over.

25X1A6a * [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] stated that Mustafa 'Aris had been assigned to organize a union among the workers of the al-Hadath workshops. A meeting was to be held on 13 March in al-Hadath to reach a final decision on this matter.

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